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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Shigeru WATANABE

Application No.: 09/835,097

Filed: April 16, 2001

For: SPEAKER APPARATUS

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) **MS Non-Fee Amendment**

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004 (Paper No. 6), the period for response to which extends through May 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment responding to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004 (Paper No. 6).
2. Additional papers enclosed:
  - ☐ Drawings: ☐ Formal ☐ Informal (Correction)
  - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
  - ☐ Form PTO-1449, \_\_\_\_\_ references included
  - ☐ Citations
  - ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
  - ☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

☐ Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>[Fee for Small Entity]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$\_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

4. Constructive Petition

☒ **EXCEPT** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	17	minus	20	0	x \$18 each=	+ \$0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	3	minus	3	0	x \$86 each=	+ \$ 0.00
[ ] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$290.00	+ \$ 0.00
SUB-TOTAL =						\$ 0.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- \$
TOTAL FEE =						\$ 0.00

6. Fee Payment

- ☒ No fee is to be paid at this time.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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